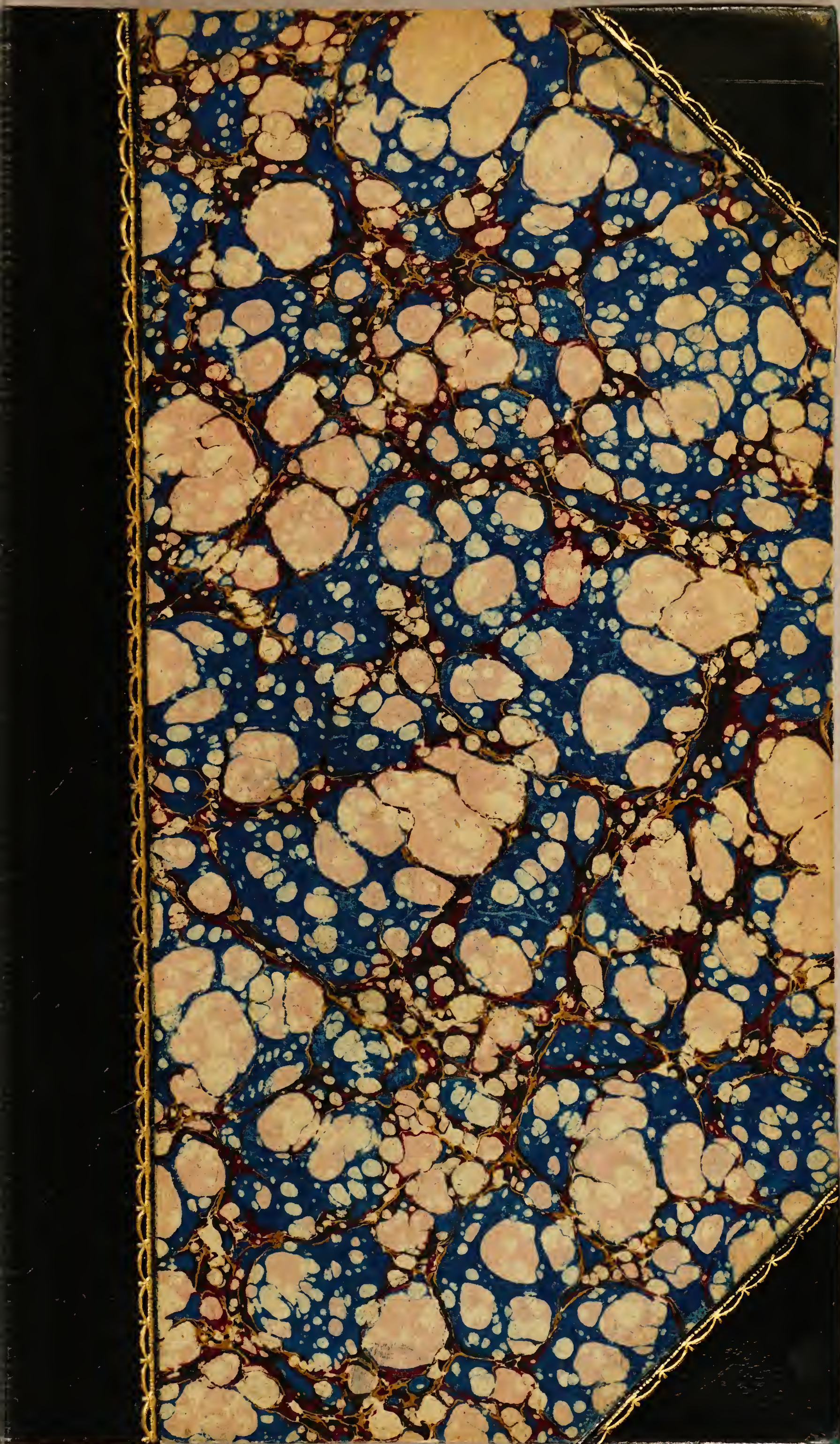




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King G E O R G E's Right.

TO THE

Crown of GREAT-BRITAIN,

Displayed:

Being a Collection from History, from the first known Times to the present Year, 1769.

Extracted for the Benefit of those in the Province of Massachusetts-Bay, who have not Leisure to study History.

Shewing it to be the Duty of all Officers and others, to defend the Heirs of SOPHIA, being Protestants, upon the *British* Throne, and the undoubted Right that King G E O R G E the third hath to the Crown of *Great-Britain*.

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King *G E O R G E* III. his Right to the Crown of *Great-Britain* displayed.

C H A P. I.

Containing the first known times, and the inhabitants of GREAT-BRITAIN, until the time of the Romans : Also the first foundation of L O N D O N.

S to the first inhabitants of this
 island, it is uncertain ; there is
 the story of *Danaus*, who was King
 of *Egypt*, next after the children
 of *Israel* left *Egypt*, and reigned
 there eight years ; but by reason
 of his mis-rule, and for his denying his brothers
 sons liberty to marry his daughters, his brother
 expelled him out of *Egypt*, so he fled with his
 daughters to *Argos* a city in *Greece*, and at that
 time the King of *Argos* died, and this *Danaus*
 contended with his son for the Kingdom, and
 obtained it by the election of the people, and ruled
 that kingdom fifty Years : But about the thirtieth
 Year of his reign, his brother king of *Egypt* send-
 eth his thirty sons with a strong force, with orders
 to marry this *Danaus* his daughters, or to slay
 him and then to marry his daughters ; but when
 they came *Danaus* consented they should marry
 his daughters, but he gave every one of his daugh-
 ters a sword, and commanded them all to slay
 their husbands the first night after marriage ; and
 they all performed the command, except *Hypem-*

neſtra, the wife of *Lyncus*, who diſcovered the plot to her huſband, and he fled into *Egypt*; to his father King of *Egypt*; but *Danaus* imprifoned his daughter *Hypemneſtra*, and intended to have put her to death, for not ſlaying her huſband according to his command; but the people would not let her be put to death; but ſhe was kept in priſon, but in time her huſband *Lyncus*, who came from *Egypt*, with a great army, and conquered *Danaus*, and ſlew him, and released his wife out of priſon, and was King in *Argos*, inſtead of *Danaus* his wife's father whom he had ſlain; and he apprehended all his wife's ſiſters who had murdered their huſbands, and put them all into a ſhip, without ſails or pilot, and left them to the mercy of the ſeas, ſo they were drove by the wind and ſeas for a great while, and at length they were caſt away upon the iſland of *Albion*, now *England*, where there were ſome Giants, but from whence they came I know not; but they took theſe women for their wives: *Juſtin* is quoted for this ſtory: Theſe women came from *Argos*, in the year of the world 2575, which was about 20 years after the children of *Iſrael* came into the land of *Canaan*. I find no more of theſe iſlanders until *Brute's* time, which was from this time 322 years, and in the year of the world 2897, which was 76 years after *Troy* was deſtroyed by the *Greeks*: this *Brute* was of the poſterity of *Hercules*, which fled from *Troy*, and ſettled in the province now called *Romania*; he being acquainted with ſea-affairs, after ſome time *Brute*, with thoſe that would follow him went upon diſcovery, and to ſeek a new habitation, and came upon this iſland called *Albion*, and there they found the inhabitants living

in villages, no city, and the houses but poor, being scattered over the whole island, but not acquainted with any war : So *Brute*, without any great difficulty became their King, and ruled them 24 years : in his fourth year he laid the foundation of the city now called *L O N D O N*, and one of the greatest cities in the world, and is the chief city in the British empire ; the foundation of this city was laid in the year of the world 2901, which was 1100 years before Christ was born ; So this city is now 2867 years old, and was built when *Eli* was judge of *Israel* : It hath not been made desolate from the first foundation of it to this day, nor hath been destroyed, nor the people of it captivated by any enemy : I think it is the oldest city in the world which hath not been destroyed by an enemy.

But at *Brute's* death when he had reigned 24 years he divided this island into three parts: the south part now called *England*, he gave to his eldest son *Lochrine* : the north part now called *Scot and*, he gave to his second son, and *Wales* to his third son : So this island was divided into three separate Kingdoms : *Brute* died in the year of the world 2921.

Now I intend to confine myself to the kingdom of *England* : From the death of *Lochrine* to the time of the *Romans*, there was wars many times between these kingdoms ; but it caused no revolutions : I do not find they had any disturbance from any other people except what was on the island, until the *Romans* under *Cæsar* came against *England* after the death of *Brute* 100 years, and in the year of the world 395, which was 49 years before Christ was born, then the *Romans* found the *Britons* under several heads, but they all payed tribute to *Cassibeland*.

then King ; but whether this King descended from *Brute* by blood or not, I cannot tell, but think he did, (thus far *Isaacson*). The time of this King's reign after the *Romans* came against him was 11 years, at first he beat the *Roman* army, but afterwards they took from him part of his kingdom.

C H A P. II.

Containing the King's reigns until the Romans left BRITON.

NOW when the *Romans* had got possession of part of *Cassibeland's* kingdom, he dying, his son *Theomantius* began to reign in the year 3962, and reigned 23 years: his son *Cymbeline* began his reign in the year 3985, and reigned 35 year; In the 15th year of this King's reign C H R I S T was born: his son *Guiderius* began his reign in the year 4020, and reigned 28 years: he did not pay tribute to the *Romans* which provoked the *Romans* so, that in the 25th year of this King's reign the emperor *Claudius* came against him, and conquered part of his kingdom: his son *Arviragus* began his reign in the year 4048, and reigned 28 years: In the 26th year of this King's reign *Jerusalem* was taken by the *Roman* army under the command of *Titus*, the *Roman* general: The *Britons* had peace from the *Romans* in this King's reign, and in the next: In this King's reign the christian faith was first planted in this island by J O S E P H of *Arimathea*, and with him came *Mary Magdalen*, and *Martha* and *Lazarus*: The time when T I T U S destroyed *Jerusalem* was in the year of the world 4074, and 74.

years after Christ was born. The date which I shall follow from this time will be from Christ's birth : About 20 years after the destruction of *Jerusalem* the *Romans* came against *BRITON* with a great army, and followed the war against the *BRITONS*, until they had conquered them, and held possession of them from their first coming into this island 498 years : In this time the *BRITONS* had many Kings, but the time of their reigns was so confounded with the *Romans* that they and the time of their reigns is uncertain : So I shall come to the time the *Romans* left this island, which was in the year 449, they finding it not for their profit to maintain so many soldiers as they were obliged to do, to keep the *BRITONS* in awe, also the *Romans* at this time had civil wars at home, and wanted all their men elsewhere, so the *Romans* called home all their own men, and all the ablest and best men for war of the *BRITONS*, and left them in a poor weak condition ; and their King at this time was *Vortigern*, but he was left so weak by the *Romans*, that he could not defend himself against his enemies.

C H A P. III.

Containing the reigns of the Kings from the time the Romans left BRITON, to the time EGBERT was in possession of the whole kingdom.

TH E Scots and Picts invaded the kingdom, and did them some damage, but they made application to the Romans for help, but they would

not assist them then the **B R I T O N S** called in the Saxons to their help : So with their assistance they beat the Scots and the Picts ; so they did the **B R I T O N S** but little damage : but the Saxons tarried with them, and did them more damage than any of their enemies had done them before, for they took from the **B R I T O N S** one province after another until they got possession of the whole kingdom of England : Now this **VORTIGERN** reigned 12 years after the Romans left this island, then his son **VORTIMER** began his reign in the year 461, and reigned 4 years : Next reigned **AURELIUS AMBROSIUS**, a Roman ; but his wife was sister to King **VORTIMER** : He reigned 32 years ; and in his days the Saxons began to get possession of some part of his kingdom : For **HENGIST** was the commander of the Saxons, when they came to help the **B R I T O N S**, which was in the year 455 : Some writers begin his kingdom of *K E N T* from this date ; but he was not in possession of it until about 7 years after this time : After **AMBROSIUS**, was **Uter** : He began his reign in the year 497, and reigned 18 years : In the reign of **AMBROSIUS**, **ELLA** another Saxon commander, in the year 488, got possession of Suffex and Surrey, and began the second Saxon kingdom : Next after **UTER**, his son **ARTHUR** began his reign, in the year 515, and reigned 26 years : In the fourth year of this King's reign **CARDIC** the Saxon began his kingdom of the West-Saxons in Cornwall and Devonshire, in the year 519 : The next King was **CONSTANTINE** his cousin : He began his reign in the year 541, and reigned three years : (the kingdom

of the East-Saxons began in the year 527 by ERCHENWYN, containing Essex and Middlesex :) AURELIUS CONANUS, nephew to King ARTHUR, began his reign in the year 544, and reigned 48 years : In the third year of this King's reign ELLA and IDA, two *Saxon* commanders, began the fifth *Saxon* kingdom in Yorkshire and Durham ; also in this King's reign the six *Saxon* kingdom began by CRIDA, another *Saxon* commander, and was in Huntington and Rutland : The next King was VORTIPORUS, he began his reign in the year 592, and reigned four years : The next King was MALGO : he began his reign in the year 596, and reigned 18 years : The next King was CARETICUS, he began his reign in the year 602, and reigned three years : the next King was CADWAN : He began his reign in the year 605, and reigned 22 years : The next King was CADWALLO ; he began his reign in the year 627, and reigned 48 years. The next King was CADWALLADER : He began his reign in the year 673, and reigned 14 years, to reckon to his death, for in the eleventh year of his reign he left Briton, and went to Rome, and the *Saxons* got full possession of the whole kingdom, in the year 689, which was the time of this King's death, but the *Saxons* had possession of almost all of it three years before, when CADWALLADER fled to *Rome* : Now from this time to the reign of EGBERT, there was continual war between the seven kingdoms of the *Saxons*, for the space of 129 years ; for in the year 818 EGBERT King of the west-*Saxons* got possession of the whole kingdom, and called it *England*. B

C H A P. IV.

Containing the names and reigns of the Kings, from the beginning of the reign of EGBERT, to the time of the Norman line.

EGBERT began his reign over the whole kingdom in the year 818, and reigned 18 years, but as soon as he had got possession of the whole kingdom, the Danes first began to infest England: His son **ETHELWOLPH** began his reign in the year 836, and reigned 21 years: His son **ELHELBALD** began his reign in the year 857, and reigned two years: His brother **ELHELBERT** began his reign in the year 859, and reigned 5 years, **ETHELRED** his brother began his reign in the year 864, and reigned ten years: **ALFRED** his brother began his reign in the year 874, and reigned 27 years: This **ALFRED** had great wars with the Danes, and many times beat them in battle; but yet they held possession of some part of his kingdom: His son **EDWARD** began his reign in the year 901, and reigned 24 years: He had sore wars with the Danes; but he beat them in battle, and slew their chief leader with his own hand, and freed the land of them: His son **ATHELSTON** began his reign in the year 925, and reigned 15 years: His brother **EDMUND** began his reign in the year 940, and reigned 5 years and seven months: **EDRED** his brother began his reign in the year 946, and reigned 9 years: **EDWIN** son to **EDMUND** began his reign in the year 955, and reigned 4 years: **EDGAR** his brother began his reign in year 959.

and reigned 16 years : EDWARD his son began his reign in the year 975, and reigned three years and 6 months, and was murdered by his step-mother to advance her son ETHELRED to the crown, and he began te reign in the year 979, and reigned 37 years : In his days the Danes got possession again in England, and lorded it over the people more than they had ever done before : His son EDMUND began to reign in the year 1016, and reigned 7 months : Now by this time the Danes had got possession of the whole kingdom of England, after a long war of 200 years : Now in the year 1017 CANUTUS was crowned King, he being the first Dane that was King in England, the last King EDMOND was murdered by the false duke EDRICK, and his sons being young were not able to withstand the power of the Danes. So this CANUTUS reigned 20 years, but some say but 18 years : His son HEROLD began his reign in the year 1036, and reigned 4 years : HARDICK-NUTE began his reign in 140, and reigned 2 years. He was brother to HEROLD : Here ends the race of the Danish Kings, when they had reigned in England only 26 years, the royal line of Denmark being at an end, the Danes power in England here ended : Now the ancient Saxon royal line obtains the kingdom : The first is EDWARD the son of King ETHELRED, and brother to the last King EDMUND : His mother was queen EMMA : He began his reign in the year 1042, and reigned 23 years and 6 months : He having no son, HEROLD, son to earl GODWIN, steps into the throne ; but having no right to it by blood, he enjoyed it but 9 months, then was slain by WILLIAM the conq-

ueror, which was duke of Normandy : But the right heir to the English crown was EDGAR ATHELING, who was son to *Eward* who was son to EDMUND the last English King before the Danes ; but he never enjoyed it nor his children for several generations : but in the year 1066 duke WILLIAM of Normandy conquered King HEROLD, and was made King by the English, and his posterity still reigns on the throne of Great-Britain.

C H A P. V.

Containing the descent of the royal line, down to King JAMES the first.

NOW I will show the right this WILLIAM duke of Normandy had to the crown of England ; for the widow of ETHELWOLPH, son to EGBERT, the first King after the Saxons, married to the earl of FLANDERS, and after many descents came MAUDE the wife of this WILLIAM, but this seems to be but a small right ; the next right by which he claimed the crown of England was, that the eldest daughter of this ETHELWOLPH married to ROLLO, the first duke of Normandy, of the line of this duke WILLIAM, which was the best right he had to the crown of England : Another right he pretended to have, that is, for EMMA, his grand-father's sister married to ETHELRED father to EDMUND, the last King of England, before the Danes : This EDMUND had a daughter named MARGARET, and she being sole heir to the crown of England, married to MALCOLME King of Scotland ; these be the titles he pretended to by heirship, but by bargan

he had it from HEROLD ; but this HEROLD had no right to the crown of England ; but after the death of EDWARD, the confessor, he dying without children, he steps into the throne, but before the death of EDWARD, this HEROLD, had a brother and a nephew in confinement with duke WILLIAM, but King EDWARD gave this HEROLD liberty to go and fetch them home ; but when he came to WILLIAM, he would not let him have them without he should assist him to get the kingdom after EDWARD's death : so by oath he promised it : So his brother was released to him upon that condition : But when King EDWARD was dead, this HEROLD takes the throne, and by no means would give it up to duke WILLIAM ; but this agreement with HEROLD he makes one of his titles to the crown of England : This WILLIAM duke of Normandy was crowned King of England on the 25th day of December, A. D. 1067, a little more than one year after HEROLD's death : He reigned almost 21 years after HEROLD's death, and died in the year 1087, and his son WILLIAM began his reign at his fathers death, and reigned 13 years, and had no child : His brother King HENRY the first began his reign in the year 1100, and reigned 35 years ; he married MAUDE, sister to EDGAR, then King of Scotland, and daughter to MALCOLME, King of Scotland, by his wife MARGARET daughter to EDMUND IRONSIDE, the last English King before the Danes : This MARGARET was sole heir to the crown of England : So by this King HENRY his marrying her daughter strengthening his right to the crown of England. This King

HENRY had by his wife MAUDE or MATILD, one son and one daughter ; the son dying young the daughter named MAUDE, she was married to the emperor HENRY the fourth, but she had no children by him : She was married next to GEAFERY PLANTAGENET, duke of ANJOU ; by him she had one son named HENRY, which was King HENRY the second, but at King HENRY the first's death, STEPHEN the son of STEPHEN, earl of Blois, and ADELA daughter of King WILLIAM the first, (although there was two before him, MAUDE the daughter of HENRY the first, and THEOBOLD his eldest brother) steps into the throne, and reigned 19 years : At his death HENRY the son of MAUDE, daughter to King HENRY the first, began his reign in the year 1154, and reigned 35 years : King RICHARD the first, his son, began his reign in the year 1189, and reigned 9 years and 9 months : JOHN brother to RICHARD (for RICHARD had no child) began his reign in the year 1199, and reigned 17 years but he governed his subjects so badly that they rebelled against him, and a great part of them gave their oaths of allegiance to prince LEWIS of FRANCE, but his death was so soon after that they fell off from prince Lewis, and made his son King HENRY the third King : He began to reign in the year 1216, and reigned 56 years : In his days he had great trouble with his Lords, and much blood-shed ; but Magna Charta was confirmed in his days : King EDWARD the first his son began his reign in the year 1272, but he was in the holy land at his father's death ; and it was near two years before he arrived in England, and he reigned

near 35 years : His son King EDWARD the second began his reign in the year 1307; and then he was deposed by his parliament, but he did not live one year before he was murdered by his keepers. King EDWARD the third his son began his reign in the year 1327, and reigned 50 years : This King's eldest son called the Black Prince, conquered the most of France, but he dying ten months before his father; but he had a son called RICHARD, who at 11 years old was made King at his grand-father's death. This King RICHARD the second began his reign in the year 1377, and reigned 22 years, and was deposed by the duke of Lancaster, or more properly took the crown from him, and murdered him a few days after : Here begins the great contention between the house of Lancaster and York, which hath caused the shedding of seas of blood : Now I shall show the right that this HENRY duke of LANCASTER had to the crown of England : For King HENRY the third had two sons, the eldest was King EDWARD the first; the other whose name was EDMUND, he was earl of Lancaster : This EDMUND had a son HENRY, who was duke of Lancaster, and this HENRY had a daughter named BLANCH, sole heir to her father, who married to JOHN the fourth, son of King EDWARD the third, and by her he had this HENRY duke of Lancaster, and is King HENRY the fourth : He began his reign in the year 1399, and reigned 17 years : His son King HENRY the fifth began his reign in the year 1413, and reigned 9 years : This King Henry conquered France; and was proclaimed at Paris in France, heir-apparent to the crown of France, and by this our Kings are stiled kings of

France to this day : King *HENRY* his son began his reign in the year 1422, and reigned 38 Years before he was deposed by *EDWARD* earl of March, but he lived after this 12 years ; and in the 9th year after he was first deposed, he was restored to his Kingdom, and reigned 6 months more : Then his army being beat by King *EDWARD*, and he taken and confined in the tower, and afterwards murdered by the duke of Glocester : This *EDWARD* earl of March descended from *LIONEL*, the third son of King *EDWARD* the third : This *LIONEL* was elder brother to *JOHN* the father of King *HENRY* the fourth ; and so a better right to the crown. This *LIONEL* was earl of Ulster in Ireland, and had but one only child, a daughter named *PHILIPP*, and she married to *EDMUND MORTIMER* earl of March, and they had one son named Rodger, which was earl of March, and he had one daughter name *ANNA*, countess of Cambridge, and she married to the duke of York, and their eldest son was *RICHARD* duke of York, and he was father to this King *EDWARD* the fourth : This King *EDWARD* began his reign in the year 1460, and reigned 22 years from the time he was first King : In this King's reign the art of printing was first found out in *England*, by *WILLIAM CAXTON* of *London*, in the year 1471. *EDWARD* his son was next to have reigned, but he was murdered by his uncle *RICHARD*, duke of Glocester ; and he took the kingdom in the year 1483, and reigned 2 years and 2 months, and was slain in battle by *HENRY* earl of *RICHMOND* : This *HENRY* was of the house of *Lancaster*, and descended from *JOHN*

the fourth, son of King *EDWARD* the third : This *JOHN*'s third wife was *CATHERINE*, and he had one son *JOHN* earl of Somerset by her, and *JOHN* earl of Somerset, had one son *JOHN* duke of Somerset, and he one daughter named *MARGARET*, and she was married to *EDMUND* earl of Richmond ; and their son was this *HENRY* earl of Richmond, which is King *HENRY* the seventh : He began his reign in the year 1485, and reigned 23 years and 8 months : This *EDMUND* earl of Richmond was son and heir to *OWEN TUDOR* of Wales, who descended in a direct line from *CADWALLADER*, the last British King before the Saxons : This *CADWALLADER* prophesied, altho' the Saxons had taken his kingdom, yet his posterity should again reign in this kingdom ; and so it happened, for this King *HENRY* began his reign 797 years after this *CADWALLADER*'s death : This King *HENRY* the seventh was sole heir to the house of Lancaster by his mother, and heir by his grand-father to the old British line, and he Married *ELIZABETH*, the eldest daughter of King *EDWARD* the fourth of the house of York : So this King *HENRY* was heir to the house of *Lancaster* by his mother, and heir to the house of York by his wife, and heir to the old royal British line by his grand-father : So the three royal lines was united in the family of this King *HENRY* the seventh : Now we shall have no more of the royal line of our present King upon the throne of Great-Britain, until King *JAMES* the first : This King *HENRY*'s eldest daughter *MARGARET* was married to *JAMES* the fourth

King of Scotland, to whom she bare three sons and one daughter. After the death of her husband King *JAMES* (slain in fight by the *English*) she married to *ARCHIBALD DOUGLASS*, earl of *ANGUS*, and their son was *HENRY* lord *DARNLY*, and he married *MARY* queen of Scotland, who was daughter of King *JAMES* the fifth of Scotland, and he the son of *JAMES* the fourth, and of *MARGARET*, King *HENRY* the seventh : So this *HENRY* the lord *DARNLY* married this *MARY* queen of Scotland, and their son *JAMES* the sixth of Scotland and first of *England*.

C H A P. VI.

Continues the royal line down to King GEORGE the third.

K I N G *JAMES* began his reign in the year 1603, and reigned 22 years : Now the royal line of our present King *GEORGE* will not be in the possession of the crown until King *GEORGE* the first : For this King *JAMES* the first of England, his eldest daughter *ELIZABETH* was married to *FREDERICK* the fifth, count *PALATINE* of the Rhine, and King of Bohemia, and by him she had *SOPHIA*, whose posterity being protestants, we are obliged by oath to defend upon the British throne she married to *ERNST AUGUSTUS*, elector of Hanover, in 1658, and she had children by him, first *GEORGE LEWIS*, elector of Hanover, born in the year 1660,

who is our King *GEORGE* the first, who began his reign in the year 1714, and reigned 12 years and 10 months : King *GEORGE* the second his son began his reign in the year 1727, and reigned 33 years and 4 months : King *GEORGE* the third, son to *FREDERICK*, eldest son to King *GEORGE* the second of England, began his reign in the year 1760, and now reigns in the year 1769.

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March 15. 1769.

Hezekiah Gates.

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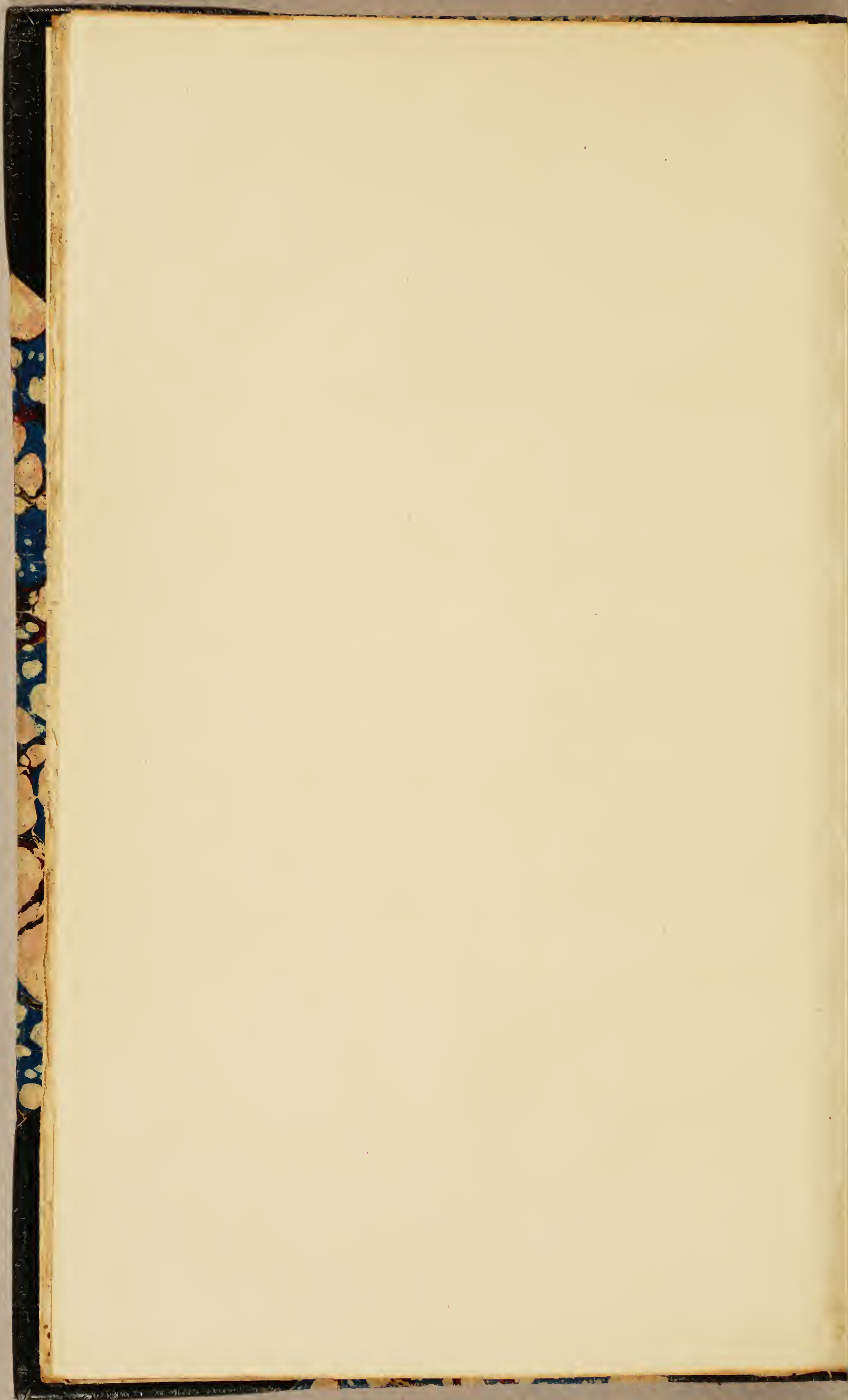
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